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Arkansas Chick Placements Up 11 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 25.7 million during the week ending December 8, 2007. Placements were up 11 percent from the comparable week in 2006, and up 4 percent from the previous week. The placements included 4.5 million chicks shipped in from other states.

The broiler-type chicks hatched for the week were 24.0 million, up 3 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier, and up 2 percent from the previous week. Of the total hatch, 2.3 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 83 percent.

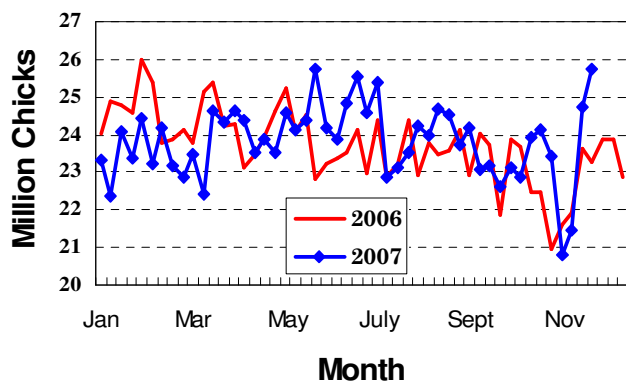
Arkansas hatcheries set 28.0 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending December 8, 2007, up 5 percent from the same period last year, but down 3 percent from the previous week.

Week Ending ¹	Chicks Placed			Chicks Hatched			Eggs Set		
	2006	2007	% of Prev. Year	2006	2007	% of Prev. Year	2006	2007	% of Prev. Year
	<i>Thousand</i>			<i>Thousand</i>			<i>Thousand</i>		
Nov. 3	22,443	24,126	108	21,667	22,651	105	25,884	26,061	101
Nov. 10	20,936	23,406	112	21,373	21,389	100	27,851	28,320	102
Nov. 17	21,611	20,800	96	20,972	19,900	95	27,996	28,849	103
Nov. 24	21,929	21,474	98	21,450	21,761	101	27,743	28,940	104
Dec. 1	23,605	24,712*	105	23,012	23,576	102	27,887	28,947	104
Dec. 8	23,249	25,747	111	23,310	23,952	103	26,712	27,993	105

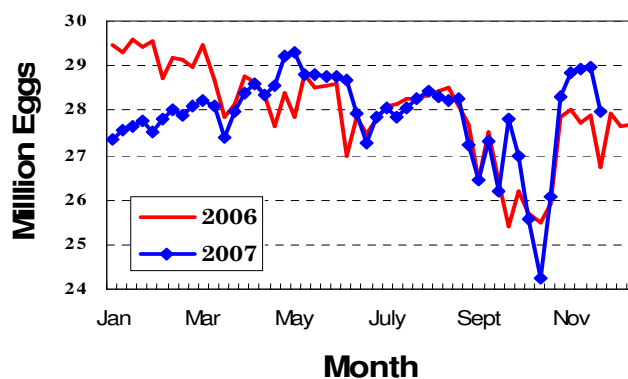
¹ For previous year, it is the comparable week.

* Revised in current week

Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2006-2007



Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2006-2007



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, November 10, 2007 - December 8, 2007

State	Eggs Set						Chicks Placed					
	Week Ending						Week Ending					
	10-Nov	17-Nov	24-Nov	1-Dec	8-Dec	% 1/	10-Nov	17-Nov	24-Nov	1-Dec	8-Dec	% 1/
	<i>Thousand</i>						<i>Thousand</i>					
Alabama	31,715 *	32,175 *	32,233	32,561 *	32,178	105	19,834	19,248 *	19,202	20,717 *	20,502	103
Arkansas	28,320	28,849	28,940	28,947	27,993	105	23,406	20,800	21,474	24,712 *	25,747	111
Delaware	4,173	4,155	4,161	4,163	4,160	105	5,053	4,910	4,766	4,959	5,106	97
Florida	1,356	1,361	1,362	1,362	1,343	100	1,283	1,126	1,304	1,291	1,341	90
Georgia	35,370	35,774	36,119	36,181 *	35,206	102	28,060	27,116	27,515 *	28,675	29,179	103
Kentucky	7,250	7,636 *	7,594	7,436	7,487	115	5,383 *	5,704 *	4,786 *	5,898 *	6,108	101
Louisiana	3,924	3,924	3,924	3,877	3,923	106	3,937	3,876	3,726	4,114	3,864	106
Maryland	8,897	7,999	8,715	8,821	8,707	103	4,789	5,379	6,354	6,224	5,607	97
Mississippi	18,903	18,062 *	18,478	19,151	18,720	109	15,605	15,844	16,158	17,201	16,461	104
N. Carolina	19,907	19,230 *	19,752	19,743 *	18,746	101	14,972	15,596 *	16,367	16,522 *	16,272	106
Oklahoma	6,036	6,656	6,634	6,709 *	6,013	93	4,550	5,070	5,279	4,147	4,308	79
Pennsylvania	4,297	4,368	4,339	4,388	4,188	107	3,054	2,989	3,121	3,208	3,278	112
S. Carolina	5,471	5,218	5,610	5,690	5,156	94	4,272	4,618	4,316	4,764	4,985	109
Texas	15,534 *	14,433 *	15,252 *	15,390 *	15,315	109	11,439 *	11,426 *	12,690 *	13,043 *	12,135	100
Virginia	6,309	6,372	6,372	6,353	6,239	105	5,352	4,824	4,819	4,967	4,862	102
CA,MO,TN & WV	19,884 *	19,863 *	19,657 *	20,494 *	18,921	96	16,310 *	16,223 *	17,093 *	18,064 *	17,630	104
19 State Total	217,346	216,075	219,142	221,266	214,295		167,299	164,749	168,970 *	178,506	177,385	
Prev. Year Total	207,802	211,187	211,184	212,782	207,215		160,423	156,497	162,192	168,076	171,423	
% of Prev. Year	105	102	104	104	103		104	105	104	106	103	
Approximate Marketing Date 2007 2/.....							29-Dec	5-Jan	12-Jan	19-Jan	26-Jan	

* Revised in current week.

1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

2/ Industry average; seven weeks from placement.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 3 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 214 million eggs in incubators during the week ending December 8, 2007. This was up 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Up 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 177 million chicks for meat production during the week ending December 8, 2007. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through December 8, 2007 were 8.61 billion, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.